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SUBJECT: BROADBENT VISITS WASHINGTON

1. JUNE 9 CP WIRE SERVICE CARRIED REPORT OF NDP LEADER ED BROADBENT'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON, D.C. WHERE HE SPOKE WITH SEVERAL USG OFFICIALS INCLUDING SECRETARY OF LABOR MARSHALL AND STATE DEPARTMENT ASSISTANT SECRETARY KATZ. WIRE SERVICE DISPATCH AND ARTICLE IN JUNE 10 OTTAWA JOURNAL QUOTED IN SUBSTANCE BROADBENT'S COMMENTS AT WASHINGTON PRESS CONFERENCE, WHERE HE CRITICIZED GOC FOR NOT DEALING MORE FIRMLY WITH US AUTO MANUFACTURERS TO CORRECT WHAT HE TERMED THE IMBALANCES IN THE CANADA-US AUTO PACT. BROADBENT CLAIMED THE IMBALANCE HAS COST CANADA BETWEEN 20,000 AND 25,000 JOBS. BOTH REPORTS QUOTED BROADBENT AS SAYING THAT HE IS NOT ASKING THAT THE PACT BE RENEGOTIATED BUT RATHER THAT IT BE APPLIED PROPERLY.

2. IN ANOTHER VEIN, AFTER A MEETING WITH SECRETARY MARSHALL, BROADBENT INDIRECTLY CRITICIZED THE TRUDEAU ADMINISTRATION REMARKING THAT CANADA CAN LEARN SOMETHING FROM US JOB CREATION PROGRAMS WHICH, ACCORDING TO BROADBENT, HAVE BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR REDUCING US UNEMPLOYMENT FROM
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8 PERCENT TO 6 PERCENT. HE BELIEVES CANADA IS SPENDING ONLY "A PITTANCE COMPARED WITH WHAT IS REQUIRED."

3. COMMENT: PROBABLY RELATED TO PRESSURE FROM BROADBENT, LABOUR CANADA HAS REQUESTED UP-TO-DATE FINANCIAL DATA ON US DEPARTMENT OF LABOR'S CETA PROGRAM. LABOUR CANADA WAS REFERRED DIRECTLY TO DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, ILAB, SINCE

CURRENT MATERIAL ON CETA NOT AVAILABLE IN EMBASSY.
BROADBENT'S COMMENTS IN WASHINGTON REFLECT LINE HE HAS
TAKEN, AND IS LIKELY TO CONTINUE TO TAKE, IN CANADIAN
PARLIAMENT ON BOTH AUTO PACT AND JOB CREATION.

4. ACTION: FOR GERALD HOLMES, LABOR DEPT, ILAB - PLEASE
FORWARD SOONEST CETA MATERIAL AS EMBASSY BELIEVES OTHER
REQUESTS WILL BE FORTHCOMING IN THIS PRE-ELECTION YEAR.
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